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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8

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1 A Concurrent Resolution requesting the United States
2 Food and Drug Administration to rescind approval of
3 ulipristal acetate.

4 WHEREAS, the United States food and drug
5 administration approved ulipristal acetate, marketed
6 in the United States under the brand name "ella", on
7 August 13, 2010; and

8 WHEREAS, ella was approved as an emergency
9 contraceptive for use to reduce the risk of pregnancy
10 up to five days after unprotected intercourse or
11 contraceptive failure; and

12 WHEREAS, even though ella was approved only as an
13 emergency contraceptive, it has chemical similarities
14 to existing drugs such as mifepristone (RU-486), used
15 as abortifacients; and

16 WHEREAS, the potential for misuse of ella as an
17 abortifacient could result in unintended abortions and
18 put women's lives at risk; NOW THEREFORE,

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
20 THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the Iowa General Assembly
21 requests that the United States food and drug
22 administration rescind its approval of ella based upon
23 its potential use as an abortifacient rather than for
24 its approved purpose as an emergency contraceptive; and

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
26 resolution be sent to the office of the commissioner of
27 the United States food and drug administration and each

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28 member of Iowa's congressional delegation.